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Thomas Jefferson CHAMBERS  
Was born in Virginia, but went to  
Mexico to study law. He was appointed  
as a superior judge for the government  
of the Mexican State of COAHUILA and  
TEXAS and came to ANAHUAC. He  
acquired vast holdings as payment  
for his services. His "salary" in  
the first year alone reached almost  
133,000 acres. He built a home in

Anahuac named CHAMBERSIA (Chambers Co. is named after him). He sided with the Texans & played a major role in the Texan Revolution (1836). Was Commissioner & a major general in the TX Army Reserve. Later he became unpopular because he argued loudly.

He also claimed the land in Austin on which the new Capital building was to be built - dragged case through Courts for 20 yrs. In 1865, as he sat in his house in Anahuac with wife & daughter, someone outside house fired a shot thru window killing him.